

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

PERIODIC REPORTING
(PROPOSAL SEVEN)

Docket No. RM2017-11

**RESPONSES OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO QUESTIONS 1-3 OF CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 2**
(September 12, 2017)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its response to Questions 1-3 of Chairman's Information Request No. 2, issued September 11, 2017. The questions are stated verbatim and followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. Please refer to Excel file "Prop.7.Dropship_Passthroughs.xlsx," cell K22.
 - a. Please confirm that this cell is currently linked to a volume-related billing determinant. If not confirmed, please explain.
 - b. Please confirm that this cell should instead reflect a weight-related billing determinant. If not confirmed, please explain.
 - c. Please confirm the value for this cell should be equal to the value for the following cell: Excel file "FY 2016 Standard Mail.xlsx," tab "NP REG PARCELS P.C3-5," cell H34.
 - d. If confirmed, please provide the updated Excel file.

RESPONSE:

The Excel file referenced in the question ("Prop.7.Dropship_Passthroughs.xlsx") was filed with the initial Proposal Seven on July 28, 2017. It would appear, however, that the question actually intended to refer to another Excel file (Prop.7.Dropship_Pass.ChIR.1.xlsx), which was filed with the ChiR No. 1 responses on August 29, 2017, and which was the first effort to provide a file with links. This response is written assuming that it was the later Excel file that the question was intended to address.

- a.-b. Confirmed.
- c. Not confirmed. This question continues the same confusion between columns H and J manifest in these cells in the ChiR No. 1 filing. Where the question refers to cell H34, the reference should instead be to cell J34.
- d. A new version of the file, Prop.7.Dropship_Pass.ChIR.2.xlsx, is attached to this response electronically. In this version, the references to column H in the links have been corrected to column J.

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2. Please refer to Excel file "Prop.7.Dropship_Passthroughs.xlsx," cell K25.
- a. Please confirm that this cell is currently linked to a volume-related billing determinant. If not confirmed, please explain.
 - b. Please confirm that this cell should instead reflect a weight-related billing determinant. If not confirmed, please explain.
 - c. Please confirm the value for this cell should be equal to the sum of the following cells:
 - Excel file "FY 2016 Standard Mail.xlsx," tab "Reg Marketing Parcels," cell H27
 - Excel file "FY 2016 Standard Mail.xlsx," tab "Reg Marketing Parcels," cell H31
 - Excel file "FY 2016 Standard Mail.xlsx," tab "NP Marketing Parcels," cell H27
 - Excel file "FY 2016 Standard Mail.xlsx," tab "NP Marketing Parcels," cell H31
 - d. If confirmed, please provide the updated Excel file.

RESPONSE:

The Excel file referenced in the question ("Prop.7.Dropship_Passthroughs.xlsx") was filed with the initial Proposal Seven on July 28, 2017. It would appear, however, that the question actually intended to refer to another Excel file (Prop.7.Dropship_Pass.ChiR.1.xlsx), which was filed with the ChiR No. 1 responses on August 29, 2017, and which was the first effort to provide a file with links. This response is written assuming that it was the later Excel file that the question was intended to address.

a.-b. Confirmed.

c. Not confirmed. This question continues the same confusion between columns H and J manifest in these cells in the ChiR No. 1 filing. In each instance where the question refers to cell H27 or H31, the reference should instead be to cell J27 or J31.

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3. Please refer to Excel file "Prop.7.Dropship_Passthroughs.xlsx," cell K26.
- a. Please confirm that this cell is currently linked to a volume-related billing determinant. If not confirmed, please explain.
 - b. Please confirm that this cell should instead reflect a weight-related billing determinant. If not confirmed, please explain.
 - c. Please confirm the value for this cell should be equal to the sum of the following cells:
 - Excel file "FY 2016 Standard Mail.xlsx," tab "Reg Marketing Parcels," cell H32
 - Excel file "FY 2016 Standard Mail.xlsx," tab "NP Marketing Parcels," cell H32
 - d. If confirmed, please provide the updated Excel file.

RESPONSE:

The Excel file referenced in the question ("Prop.7.Dropship_Passthroughs.xlsx") was filed with the initial Proposal Seven on July 28, 2017. It would appear, however, that the question actually intended to refer to another Excel file (Prop.7.Dropship_Pass.ChiR.1.xlsx), which was filed with the ChiR No. 1 responses on August 29, 2017, and which was the first effort to provide a file with links. This response is written assuming that it was the later Excel file that the question was intended to address.

a.-b. Confirmed.

c. Not confirmed. This question continues the same confusion between columns H and J manifest in these cells in the ChiR No. 1 filing. In each instance where the question refers to a cell H32, the reference should instead be to cell J32.

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